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MINNESOTA BULLETIN NO. 300-05-27

SUBJECT: LTP – EQIP – 2005 NUTRIENT (590) AND PEST MANAGEMENT (595)

Purpose. To provide instructions on certifying and paying incentive payments for 590 and 595 in 2005 Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) contracts.

Expiration Date. September 30, 2005

As offices work with applicants to develop their EQIP plan of operations in Toolkit, they should keep in mind, and explain to landowners this requirement in order to certify and pay incentive payments in new 2005 contracts containing 590 and 595.

The full-crop year component of 590 (590b & 590d), and the 595, practice all require that the assistance be provided by a private sector specialist certified by NRCS. As such, in order to receive payment for these practices, the EQIP participant must provide the name and TSP certification number of the private sector specialist they are using by having the specialist sign either the MN-CPA-46 or Job Sheet 590b and indicate their TSP certification number.

Participants unable to provide the name and TSP certification number of their specialist will not meet the practice requirements and will not be paid the EQIP incentive payment.

Questions should be directed to your ASTC(FO) or from the Area to Tim Koehler, Assistant State Conservationist.

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